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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 07-003

TO: School District Superintendents, County School Superintendents, Principals, and Head Teachers

FROM: Philip Williams, Deputy Associate Superintendent

DATE: July 14, 2006

SUBJECT: July 15, 2006 Basic calculations for Equalization Assistance Report (APOR 55 - 1) and Equalization Assistance and Additional State Aid Detail Report (APOR 64) - FY 2007 School Year

The July 15, 2006 apportionment reports applicable to the first FY 2007 equalization payment for your school district are posted on your district's home page on the ADE web site (<http://www.ade.az.gov/districts/default.asp>). If you need help finding or viewing these reports please contact the ADE Training and Support Group at 602-542-7378 or toll free at (866) 577-9636.

The following items have been included in the July 15, 2006 APOR calculations:

- **ADMS data:** FY06 Student Detail data successfully submitted and processed by ADE as of June 30, 2006. Contact the Data Analysis team at 602.542.5695 or by email at (SchoolFinance@ade.az.gov) if you have concerns regarding the student counts. If you require SAIS technical assistance, please complete the request form available on the System Training and Response (STaR) Team webpage at: <http://www.ade.az.gov/schoolfinance/STaR/>
- **District Sponsored Charter School ADMS:** Student Counts are based on FY 2007 estimated counts submitted by June 28, 2006.
- **Rapid Decline, Audit Expense Adjustment, and Type 03 HS Tuition:** All adjustments will be included on the districts' September 15, 2006 equalization calculation based upon the data included in the district's adopted/revised budget successfully submitted to ADE as of August 31, 2006. Please check the submission status of your budgets and budget worksheets. Per A.R.S. 15-901 (E), FY 2007 Adopted Budgets must be submitted electronically to the Arizona Department of Education by July 18, 2006. Instructions for checking the submission status can be located at <http://www.ade.az.gov/schoolfinance/FAQs/Default.asp>. If you have questions related to budget submission, please call Rachel Arroyo at (602) 364-1990 (Rachel.Arroyo@azed.gov) or Mike Barragan (602) 542-8249 (Mike.Barragan@azed.gov).
- **New Legislation:**
 1. The Base Level Amount (BLA) has been increased to \$3,133.53 (\$3,172.70 when including teacher's compensation). Of this dollar amount, \$72.51 is to be expended on salary and benefit increases for non-administrative personnel.
 2. A Base Support Level Adjustment has been included on page two of the APOR55-1 report to account for the new Kindergarten weight. This add-on weight will eventually be included on page one in the Add-On Weighted Student Count calculation.
 3. The support level weights for MDSSI, OI-SC, and ED-P have all been increased.

For further information on the above mentioned legislative changes, please see Laws 2006, HB2874, Chapter 353 at <http://www.azleg.gov/FormatDocument.asp?inDoc=/legtext/47leg/2R/laws/0353.htm> and USFR Memo #233 at <http://www.auditorgen.state.az.us/ASD/PDF/School%20Districts/Manuals/USFR%20Memo%20223.pdf>.

If you have any questions regarding the content of your reports please contact Lori Damanti at 602.542.3303 or by email at Lori.Damanti@azed.gov. Any questions or concerns may also be emailed to the School Finance Inbox at schoolfinance@azed.gov.